



# Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Initiative Overview

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# Introduction and Framework

- What is Supportive Housing
- Who does it Serve
- What is IPSHI
- IPSHI Progress and Achievements



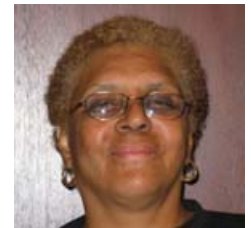
# Permanent Supportive Housing

## What Is Supportive Housing?

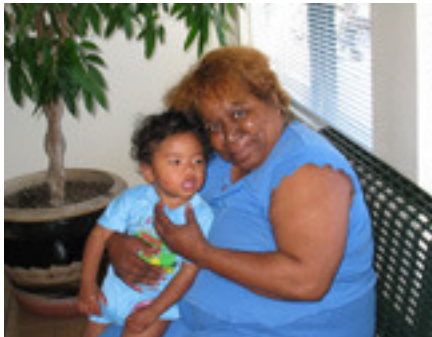
A cost-effective combination of permanent, affordable housing with services that helps people live more stable, productive lives.

## Supportive Housing is for People Who:

- Are long-term homeless
- Cycle through institutional and emergency systems and are at risk of long-term homelessness
- Are being discharged from institutions and systems of care
- Without housing, cannot access and make effective use of treatment and supportive services



# Housing & Services



## ■ HOUSING

- **PERMANENT:** Not time limited, not transitional;
- **AFFORDABLE:** For people coming out of homelessness; and
- **INDEPENDENT:** Tenant holds lease with normal rights and responsibilities.

## ■ SERVICES

- **FLEXIBLE:** Designed to be responsive to tenants' needs;
- **VOLUNTARY:** Participation is not a condition of tenancy; and
- **INDEPENDENT:** Focus of services is on maintaining housing stability.

# Who is Supportive Housing For?

## People Who:

✓ **BUT FOR HOUSING** cannot access and make effective use of treatment and supportive services in the community;

**and**

✓ **BUT FOR SUPPORTIVE SERVICES** cannot access and maintain stable housing in the community.

# The Population

- Homeless, many for extended periods of time
- Extremely Low Income
- Typically don't have rental history and landlord references
- Most have mental illness and/or substance use issues
- Generally speaking, the population who is housed in supportive housing is the population screened out of affordable housing.



# Why This Population?

- Supportive housing seeks to serve the hardest to serve
- Supportive housing use scarce and valuable public resources, so it is critical that it serves only those who couldn't stay housed without it
- This is the most important philosophical difference between affordable and supportive housing

# Components of Supportive Housing

## **Supportive Housing Providers need:**

- Capital
  - Bricks and Sticks
  - One time funds
- Operating
  - Funding to support building operations
  - Typically provided through a subsidy
- Supportive Services
  - Grants and contracts to fund staff salaries

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# **Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Initiative**

## Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Initiative

- A private/public venture cutting across state agencies, nonprofit constituencies, private foundations and the for profit sector under the leadership of Lt. Governor Becky Skillman
- Six-year project to adopt national best practices into an Indiana model for permanent supportive housing
- Designed to create affordable housing and support services for people affected by mental illness or chemical dependency who are facing homelessness
- The initiative aims to create at least 500 supportive housing units within Indiana over the three-year Demonstration Project (2008 – 2010)
- After the initial Demonstration Project is evaluated, long-term funding mechanisms and policies will be put in place

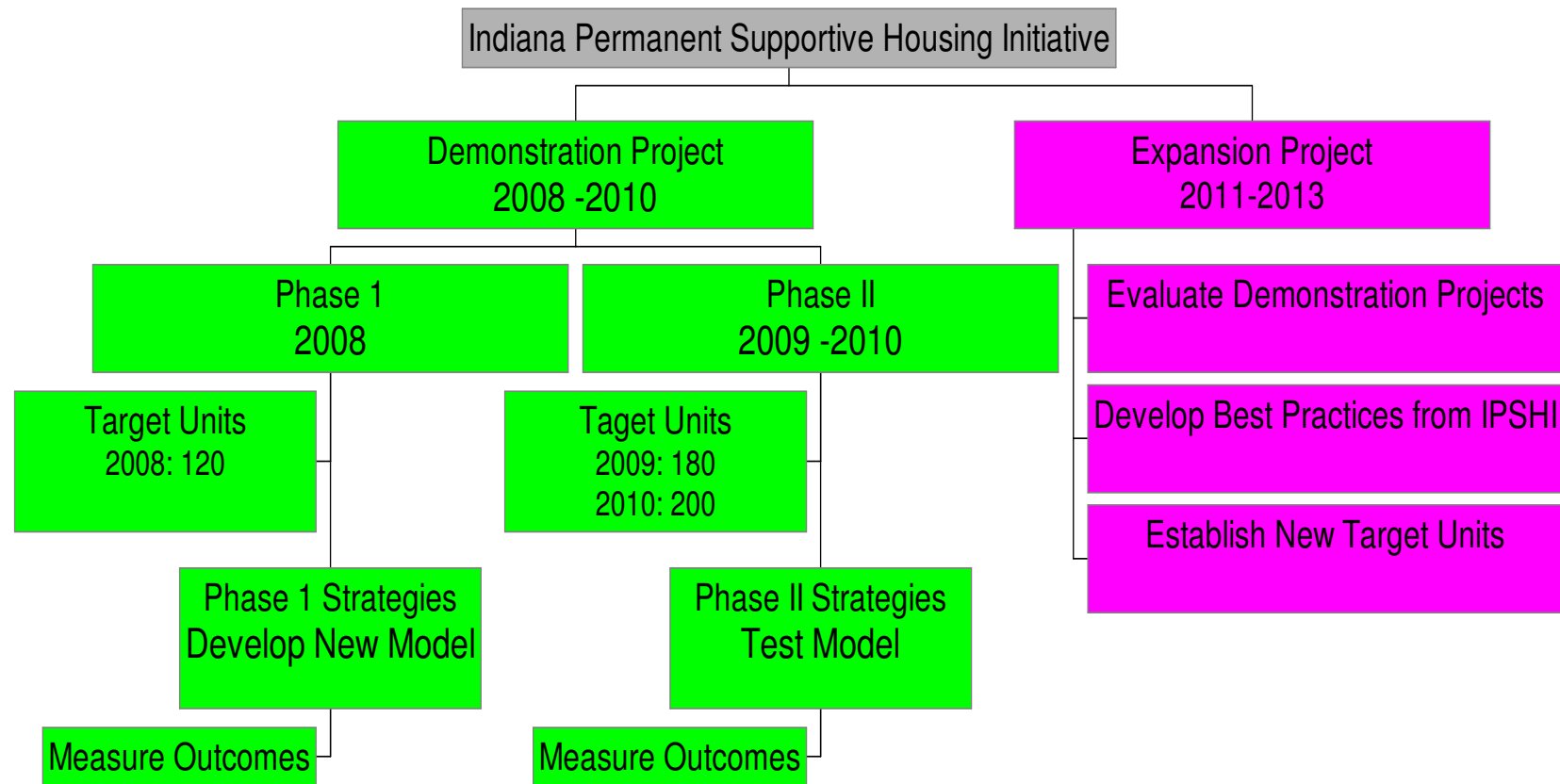
# IPSHI Overall Strategic Goal

- Increase the supply of permanent supportive housing for homeless individuals and families with severe mental illness or chronic alcoholism or drug addiction
  - *Reduce the number of homeless individuals and families who cycle through emergency systems*
  - *Reduce the recidivism of ex-offenders with severe mental illness or chronic substance abuse*
  - *Improve communities by ending long-term homelessness through community-based partnerships*

# Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Initiative Key Strategies

- Develop financial models for housing and services
- Develop effective State policies for permanent supportive housing
- Develop a public/private partnership to fund and support PSH
- Create a pipeline and build local capacity through the Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Institute
- Convene a funders council to support pipeline of projects

# Initiative Overview



# IHCDA Commitment to IPSHI

- Dedicated IHCDA staff for supportive housing
- Creating policy and system change to support PSH.
- Prioritizing Funding for PSH.
- Promotes Inter-Agency Understanding of the Priorities.
- Funded CSH's Presence in Indiana.
- Funded Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Institute
- Working with other federal, state and local initiatives that have similar goals.
- Working with foundations and private sector to develop resources.



# Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Initiative

## Achievements to Date

### ■ Capital funds

- Modified the QAP to fund supportive housing through the LIHTC program
- Set aside HOME and Development funds
- Stimulus funds

### ■ Operating Funds

- State Admin Plan revised to project base 20% of vouchers for supportive housing projects
- Working with other local PHA's to project base vouchers for supportive housing

# Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Initiative Achievements to Date

## Service Model Development

- DMHA advanced IPSHI through the Division's Transformation Initiative
  - Goal of Transformation is to transform Indiana's Mental Health and Addiction system to a Recovery Based Model that focuses on providing meaningful, consumer and family-centered services

# Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Initiative Achievements to Date

- A subcommittee of the TWG agreed to work with CSH and the Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC) to identify a Model Service Delivery System in Indiana that integrates the goals of TWG and IPSHI
- Developed a “crosswalk” to identify which services can be reimbursed through Medicaid for eligible individuals
- Identified the funding gap for services not billable through Medicaid

# Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Initiative Achievements to Date

## **Implemented the Permanent Supportive Housing Institute**

- 10 days of training with a final day of presentations to funders.
- Technical assistance is provided to teams in-between sessions.
- Each team is comprised of a developer, property manager and a service partner.
- 9 teams finished the first PSH Institute in 2008; 10 teams finished the institute in 2009.
- Application for 2010 Institute Released.
  - Between two Institutes pipeline has more than 700 units of permanent supportive housing.
- Institute Homework linked directly to IHCD funding applications
- Integrated the CSH Dimensions of Quality into the Institute

# Permanent Supportive Housing Institute 2010

## Seeking Institute Teams Focusing on the following populations:

- Individuals with serious mental illness and/or chronic substance abuse who are being discharged from corrections and are at high risk of long-term homelessness;
- Individuals with serious mental illness who are being discharged from state hospitals and are at high risk of long-term homelessness and the availability of supportive housing is a barrier to their release;
- Individuals who are long-term or chronically homeless and frequently cycling in and out of the local jail, shelters, and emergency rooms;
- Individuals and families who are long-term or chronically homeless with significant barriers to accessing and maintaining housing;
- Veterans with serious mental illness and/or chronic substance abuse who are homeless or at high risk of homelessness and have significant barriers to accessing and maintaining housing; and,
- Youth aging out of the foster care system who have significant barriers to accessing and maintaining housing.

## Examples of IPSHI Projects

- Connected by 25, Youth Aging out of Foster Care, Supportive Housing Project, Indianapolis
- Tippecanoe County Re-entry Court and City of Lafayette Tenant Based Rental Assistance Program
- Promising Partnerships, Ft. Wayne
- Regional Mental Health, Hobart
- Centerstone, Richmond

# Building Blocks of Indiana Permanent Supportive Housing Initiative

<u><b>Engaging PSH Developers:</b></u>  Tax Credit Developers CDC's CHDO's Homeless Housing Org.	<u><b>Engaging Service Delivery Network:</b></u>  Health Employment VA Criminal Justice. Etc.	<u><b>State Funders Council for PSH</b></u>  Capital Operations Service	<u><b>TRACKING PROGRESS</b></u>  Ongoing Evaluation of PSH Projects And Homeless Assistance System
<u><b>McKinney Vento CoC Application(s) Policy and Planning</b></u>	<u><b>Housing and Service Resource Planning</b></u>  Dedicated funding Streams for PSH	<u><b>Joint State RFP For PSH Projects</b></u>	<u><b>Strategic Plan for PSH for Next 5 Years</b></u>
<u><b>Continuum of Care Planning Process And Local 10-Year Plans to End Homelessness</b></u>	<u><b>Indiana Supportive Housing Institute</b></u>  Local Capacity Building	<u><b>Inter Agency Policy and Planning:</b></u>  CSH Partnership IAC H DMHA – TWG IN - SHLF	<u><b>Homeless Data And Homeless Assistance System Evaluation Data</b></u>

# Thank You

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